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In the Claims:

1. Please amend the claims as follows:

13. (Twice Amended) An inner container designed to be removably inserted into an outer container, said inner container comprising:

a bottom, collapsible opposing first and second sidewalls and front and back walls, each constructed of a flexible insulating material having one metalized surface, said first and second sidewalls and said front and back walls forming an integral moisture proof seal with said bottom and each other;

an integral first foldable side flap extending above said first sidewall and having opposing edges, said flap comprising a top edge that is substantially straight along its entire length;

an integral foldable second side flap extending above said second sidewall and having opposing edges, said flap comprising a top edge that is substantially straight along its entire length;

an integral foldable front flap extending above said front end and integral with the edges of both said first and second side flaps, said front flap comprising a top edge that is substantially straight along its entire length;

an integral foldable back flap extending above said back end and integral with the edges of both said first and second side flaps, said back flap further comprising a top edge that is substantially straight along its entire length; and

a top formed from said first and second side flaps and said front and back flaps wherein said first and second side flaps are folded and adjacent each other.

14. (Once Amended) The [assembly] container of claim 1, wherein said flexible insulating material is bubble pack material.

15. (Once Amended) The [assembly] container of claim 1, wherein said flexible insulating material is microfoam.

16. (Once Amended) The [assembly] container of claim 14, wherein said metalized surface is located on the inside of the inner container.

17. (Once Amended) The [assembly] container of claim 13, wherein said front and back walls each have a gusseted reinforcement.

18. (Once Amended) The [assembly] container of claim 13, further comprising:
a selectively releasable means for securing a portion of said first side flap to a portion of said second side flap.

19. (Once Amended) The [assembly] container of claim 13, wherein at least one of said flaps forming said top has a means for sealing said top.

20. (Once Amended) The [assembly] container of claim 13, wherein said front flap is connected to the edges of both said first and second side flaps.

22. (Once Amended) The [assembly] container of claim 13, wherein said top is formed with said first and second side flaps partially in contact with each other.

23. (Once Amended) The [assembly] container of claim 13, wherein said top is formed with said front and back flaps folded.

24. (Once Amended) The [assembly] container of claim 22, wherein said folded front and back flaps of said top forming said top are gusseted.

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25. (Once Amended) The container of claim 13, wherein said bottom is substantially flat.

26. (Once Amended) The container of claim 13, wherein said first and second side flaps and said front and back flaps are substantially the same height.

27. (Once Amended) The container of claim 13, wherein the height of said first and second sidewalls, said front and back walls and said first, second, front and back flaps is selectively adjustable.

28. (Once Amended) The container of claim 13, wherein said first and second side flaps are substantially the same height.

29. (Once Amended) The container of claim 13, wherein said first and second side flaps and said front and back flaps are substantially the same height.

30. (Once Amended) The container of claim 13, wherein said first and second flaps are connected to said front and back flaps.

31. (Once Amended) The container of claim 13, wherein said bottom is substantially flat.

32. (Once Amended) The container of claim 13, wherein said first and second sidewalls are movable from a first open position substantially perpendicular to said bottom to a second folded position substantially parallel to said bottom of said inner container assembly.

33. (Once Amended) The container of claim 13, wherein said first and second sidewalls in said second position have a length and width that is no greater than said bottom.

34. (Once Amended) An inner container designed to be removably inserted into an outer container, said inner container comprising:

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a bottom, a first and second collapsible opposing sidewalls extending from said bottom, each constructed of a flexible insulating material having one metalized outer surface, said first and second sidewalls forming an integral moisture proof seal with said bottom and each other;

an integral first foldable side flap extending above said first sidewall and having first and second side edges and a top edge that is substantially straight along its entire length;

an integral foldable second side flap extending above said second sidewall and having first and second side edges and a top edge that is substantially straight along its entire length;

a top formed from said first and second side flaps wherein said first and second side flaps are folded and adjacent each other; and

wherein said first and second sidewalls are movable from a first open position substantially perpendicular to said bottom to a second folded position substantially parallel to said bottom of said inner container assembly.

35. (Once Amended) The container of claim 34, wherein said first and second flaps are substantially the same height.

36. (Once Amended) The container of claim 34, wherein said first and second sidewalls in said second position have a length and width that is no greater than said bottom.

37. (Once Amended) An inner container designed to be removably inserted into an outer container, said inner container comprising:

a bottom, collapsible opposing first and second sidewalls and front and back walls, each constructed of first and second layers of flexible insulating material, having one

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metalized outer surface, said first and second sidewalls and said front and back walls forming an integral moisture proof seal with said bottom and each other;

an integral first foldable side flap extending above said first sidewall, said first side flap further comprising a top edge that is substantially straight along its entire length;

an integral foldable second side flap extending above said second sidewall, said second side flap further comprising a top edge that is substantially straight along its entire length;

an integral foldable front flap extending above said front end and integral with the edges of both said first and second side flaps, said front flap further comprising a top edge that is substantially straight along its entire length;

an integral foldable back flap extending above said back end and integral with the edges of both said first and second side flaps, said back flap further comprising a top edge that is substantially straight along its entire length; and

a top formed from said first and second side flaps and said front and back flaps wherein said first and second side flaps are folded and adjacent each other.

38. (Once Amended) The container of claim 37, wherein said first and second layers of insulating material are comprised of different materials.

39. (Once Amended) The container of claim 37, wherein said bottom is substantially flat.

40. (Once Amended) The container of claim 37, wherein said first and second sidewalls are movable from a first position substantially perpendicular to said bottom to a second folded position substantially parallel to said bottom of said inner container assembly.

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41. (Once Amended) The container of claim 37, wherein the height of said first and second sidewalls, said front and back walls and said first, second, front and back flaps are selectively adjustable.

42. (Once Amended) An inner container designed to be removably inserted into an outer container, said inner container comprising:

a bottom, collapsible opposing first and second sidewalls and front and back walls, each constructed of a flexible insulating material having one metalized surface, said first and second sidewalls and said front and back walls forming an integral moisture proof seal with said bottom and each other;

an integral first foldable side flap extending above said first sidewall and having opposing edges;

an integral foldable second side flap extending above said second sidewall and having opposing edges;

an integral foldable front flap extending above said front end and integral with the edges of both said first and second side flaps;

an integral foldable back flap extending above said back end and integral with the edges of both said first and second side flaps;

wherein the height of first and second sidewalls, said front and back walls and said first, second, front and back flaps is selectively adjustable; and

a top formed from said first and second side flaps and said front and back flaps wherein said first and second side flaps are folded and adjacent each other.

43. (Once Amended) An inner container designed to be removably inserted into an outer container, said inner container comprising:

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a bottom and a collapsible sidewall extending upwardly from the entire periphery of said bottom and having a top edge, said bottom and said sidewall each constructed of a flexible insulating material having an outer metalized surface, said sidewall forming an integral moisture proof seal with and along said entire periphery of said bottom.

an integral first foldable side flap extending above said entire top edge of sidewall, said flap further having a substantially continuous height along its entire length;

a top formed from said flap that completely closes said inner container.

44. (Once Amended) The container of claim 43, wherein said flap is movable from an open position wherein said flap extends above said outer container to a second position wherein it completely closes said inner container and is contained entirely within said outer container.

45. (Once Amended) The container of claim 43, wherein said height of said sidewall and said flap are selectively adjustable.

2. Please insert the following new claims:

46. The container of Claim 13 wherein said metalized surface extends throughout all of said bottom, said first and second sidewalls and said front and back walls.

47. The container of Claim 13 wherein each of said bottom, said first and second sidewalls and said front and back walls has a metalized outer surface.

48. The container of Claim 13 wherein a portion of said inner container is in direct contact with said outer container when it is inserted in said outer container.

49. The said container of Claim 13 wherein a portion of said metalized surface is in direct contact with said outer container when it is inserted in said outer container.

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50. The container of claim 13 wherein said metalized surface is not located in air tight pouch within said first and second sidewalls or said front and back walls.

51. The container of claim 13 wherein said metalized surface is not movable independent from said first and second sidewalls and said front and back walls.